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An Akron, Ohio, barber refused to give a robber money Friday, even though there was a gun pointed at him, the Akron Beacon Journal reported. Instead of complying, the barber dared the gunman to shoot. He did, but the weapon malfunctioned and didn't fire. The robber fled empty-handed and remains at large. (EXPRESS)

LITIGIOUS

Criminal Shrugs, Sues Judge

A judge dismissed a lawsuit filed by a Colorado man who held a Topeka, Kan., couple hostage and then sued them for breach of contract for turning him in. Jesse Dimmick contended he had a legally binding oral contract with Jared and Lindsay Rowley that they'd hide him from police in return for money. Dimmick was a fugitive facing a murder charge when he burst into the Rowleys' home in September 2009 and held them at knifepoint. (AP)

MISTAKES

Once Is OK; Twice, You Pay; Three Times, We Leave You

An Illinois ice fisherman had to be rescued off the shore of Green Bay, Wis. — for a second time. Authorities say the man was unaware the ice had broken away and he was drifting away at about 5:30 a.m. Sunday. It's the second year in a row the fisherman found himself in that predicament. The man, from Elmhurst, Ill., will receive a bill this time for the cost of the rescue. (AP)

The Big Picture



ROUGH RIDING: A man rides a horse through a bonfire on Monday during Las Luminarias, the Festival of Fire, in San Bartolome de Pinares, Spain. The practice honors St. Anthony, the patron saint of animals, whose feast day was Tuesday. The smoke is believed to purify the animals. (GETTY)

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Pushed, Romney Bares Tax Rate

Candidate says he pays 15 percent rate, drawing criticism

Florence, S.C.

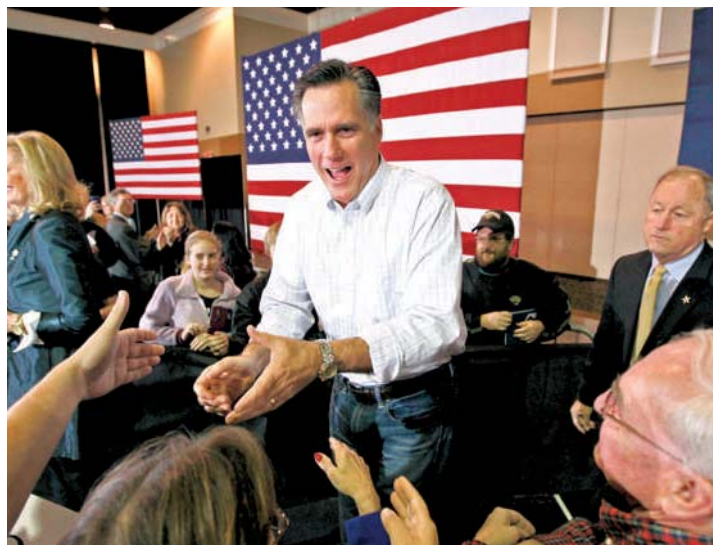
His wealth and taxes suddenly a campaign focus, Mitt Romney said Tuesday he pays an effective federal tax rate of about 15 percent. That's far less than if his earnings were wages rather than gains from investments and dividends, and the disclosure under pressure

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The percentage, in federal income taxes, that the average American household will pay this year.

triggered a sharp response from the Democratic White House as well as one of his GOP presidential rivals.

Romney told reporters he also received money from speechmaking before he announced his presidential candidacy early last year "but not very much." He provided no details, but in his financial disclosure statement, released last August, he reported being paid



Mitt Romney and his wife, Ann, left, campaign Tuesday at the Florence Civic Center in Florence, S.C. Romney said he'd release at least one year's tax returns in April.

\$374,327.62 for such appearances for the 12 months ending last February.

That amount alone would place his income among the top 1 percent of all Americans, and Romney's description of it as a relatively small amount suggested his overall income was far higher. On Tuesday, he said he would release at least one year's returns in April.

White House spokesman Jay Carney said: "This only illuminates what [Obama] believes is an issue, which is that everybody who's working hard ought to pay their fair share."

Newt Gingrich taunted the former Massachusetts governor: "I think we ought to rename our flat tax. We have a 15 percent flat tax, so this would be a Mitt Romney

Meanwhile ...



Looking to capture the GOP presidential nomination even if it takes harsh words, Rick Santorum on Tuesday

branded Mitt Romney a liberal, said Newt Gingrich's policy positions have been "all over the place" and laughed that Ron Paul has been running for president "since 1938." The former senator from Pennsylvania sharpened his criticism of his rivals and urged conservatives to coalesce around one of their own or face Romney as the GOP's nominee. (AP)

flat tax and all Americans would pay the rate" that he paid. Gingrich is expected to release his own returns on Thursday.

Romney's wealth — he is worth between \$190 million and \$250 million — puts him among the richest Americans. But if most of his income is from investments, it could help him to significantly lower his federal tax bill compared to people who make money in other

In Brief

WASHINGTON

Obama Names Zients As Acting Budget Chief



Zients

President Obama on Tuesday named Jeffrey Zients as his acting budget chief but held off on nominating him for the permanent job, avoiding a tough election-year battle with Senate Republicans. (AP)

SANTA ANA, CALIF.

Murder Charges Filed In 4 Homeless Slayings

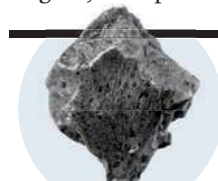
Former Marine Itzcoatl Ocampo, 23, was charged Tuesday in the stabbing deaths of four homeless men in a rampage that terrorized Southern California. Prosecutors said Ocampo had selected more victims, and the district attorney said a panel will convene to decide whether to seek the death penalty. (AP)

SEATTLE

Major Snowstorm Heads Toward Seattle Area

Seattle prepared for a potentially major snowstorm to hit Wednesday as the city's mayor urged residents to stay off roads and school officials prepared for the worst. The National Weather Service in Seattle on Tuesday morning called for about 5 to 10 inches of snow in the Seattle metropolitan area. (AP)

Mars Attacks: A committee of meteorite experts confirmed Tuesday that 15 pounds of meteorite chunks from Mars fell in Morocco last July. This is only the fifth time scientists have confirmed chemically Martian meteorites that people witnessed falling. Scientists and collectors of meteorites are ecstatic, and already the rocks are fetching big money because they are among the rarest things on Earth — rarer even than gold. (AP)



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Nation

U.S. Sets Alzheimer's Care Goal

Washington

Effective treatments for Alzheimer's by 2025? That's the target the government is eyeing as it develops a national strategy to tackle what could become the defining disease of a rapidly aging population.

It's an ambitious goal — and on Tuesday, advisers to the government stressed that millions of families need better help now to care for their loved ones.

"What's really important here is a comprehensive plan that deals with the needs of people who already have the disease," said Alzheimer's Association president Harry Johns, one of the advisers.

Already, families approach the advisory committee "reminding us of the enormity of our task," said

In Pursuit of Better Options

Today's Alzheimer's treatments only temporarily ease some dementia symptoms, and work to find better ones has been frustratingly slow. Scientists now know that Alzheimer's is brewing for years before symptoms appear, and they're hunting for ways to stall the disease — maybe long enough that potential sufferers will die of something else first. But it's still early-stage work. The disease is growing steadily as the population ages: By 2050, 13 million to 16 million Americans are projected to have Alzheimer's, costing \$1 trillion in medical and nursing home expenditures. (AP)

Dr. Ron Petersen, an Alzheimer's specialist at the Mayo Clinic who chairs the panel.

The Obama administration is developing the first National Alzheimer's Plan to address the medical and social problems of dementia — not just better treatments but better day-to-day care for dementia patients and their over-

whelmed caregivers, too.

Some advisory members said 2025 is not aggressive enough and that 2020 would be a better target date.

"We want to be bold," said Dr. Jennifer Manly of Columbia University. "We think the difference of five years is incredibly meaningful."

LAURAN NEERGAARD (AP)

1M The number of signatures United Wisconsin collected in its effort to recall Gov. Scott Walker — far exceeding the 540,208 needed to force an election and amounting to 23 percent of the state's eligible voters. (AP)

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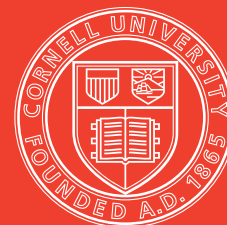
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World

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STRASBOURG, FRANCE

EU Challenges Hungary Over New Constitution

The EU and Hungary brought their fight over democratic rights into the open Tuesday, as the EU Commission began legal challenges against the country. The panel said the country's new constitution, which came into force Jan. 1, undermines the independence of the national central bank and the judiciary, and does not respect data privacy. (AP)

BAGHDAD

Iraqi Cabinet Suspends Lawmakers for Boycott

Iraq's Shiite-dominated Cabinet suspended its boycotting Sunni-backed ministers Tuesday, an official said, deepening a sectarian conflict of politics and violence that has raised fears of civil war. The Sunni-based Iraqiya bloc started its boycott last month to protest a warrant against the Sunni vice president. (AP)

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

Report: Ethiopia Forced 70K People Into Villages

Ethiopia forcibly moved tens of thousands of semi-nomadic people to barren villages, and threatened, assaulted and arrested those who resisted, Human Rights Watch said in a report Tuesday. The rights group said Ethiopia resettled about 70,000 people last year. (AP)



Rescue crews on Tuesday study the stricken underbelly of the Costa Concordia, which is grounded off Italy's Tuscan coast.

Ship Crisis Illuminated

Recordings indicate Italian captain fled in aftermath of crash

Rome

An Italian coast guard official vehemently demanded that the captain go back to his crippled cruise ship to oversee its evacuation, but the captain repeatedly resisted, according to a shocking audiotape made public Tuesday.

Prosecutors have accused Capt.

Francesco Schettino of manslaughter, causing a shipwreck and abandoning his vessel before all passengers were evacuated during the grounding of the Costa Concordia off the Tuscan coast on Friday.

An Italian judge ruled that the captain, who had been detained after he allegedly abandoned ship, should be confined to house arrest, Schettino's lawyer, Bruno Leparatti, said Tuesday.

Schettino said that he had maneuvered the ship close to shore in a way that "saved hundreds, if

\$500M

The amount analysts estimate that insurance companies will have to pay to cover the damages and loss of life in Friday's capsizing of the Costa Concordia near Italy. (AP)

not thousands, of lives" after the crash, Leparatti told the hearing.

Meanwhile, naval divers exploded holes in the hull of the ship to speed up the search for the missing. The death toll rose to 11 with

Implicating Audio

Recordings released Tuesday indicate Costa Concordia Capt. Francesco Schettino fought Italian coast guard Capt. Gregorio De Falco's orders to stay with the ship:

De Falco: "No, please. You now get up and go on board. They are telling me that on board there are still. ..."

Schettino: "I am here with the rescue boats, I am here, I am not going anywhere, I am here. ..."

D: "What are you doing, commander?"

S: "I am here to coordinate the rescue. ..."

D: "What are you coordinating there? Go on board!" (AP)

the extraction of the bodies of four men and one woman.

Prior to that, the coast guard had raised the number of missing to 25 passengers and four crew members, including two Americans.

Dutch shipwreck salvage company Smit said it would take two to four weeks to extract the 500,000 gallons of fuel aboard the ship. The safe removal of the fuel has become a priority second only to finding the missing, as the wreckage lies in a maritime sanctuary for dolphins, porpoises and whales.

The Concordia was carrying more than 4,200 people when it hit a reef off the island of Giglio after Schettino made an unauthorized course deviation. (AP)

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SCIENCE

Untimely Demise?

The U.S., France and others are pushing for a vote this week at a U.N. telecom meeting in Geneva to abolish the leap second, which has kept computers in sync with the Earth day for 40 years. Leap seconds are added irregularly to make up for a wobble in Earth's rotation. Without them, atomic clocks would outrun the solar day, which means that after thousands of years, atomic clocks would say it's midday when outside the sun has yet to rise. (AP)



Defiant Syria Rejects Calls to Allow Arab Troops In

Beirut

Syria said Tuesday it "absolutely rejects" any plans to send Arab troops into the country after the Gulf nation of Qatar proposed the idea to stop mounting deaths in the uprising against President Bashar Assad.

Syria's response showed it was feeling the growing international pressure to halt its deadly military crackdown on dissent. The U.S. piled on more pressure Tuesday, with a senior Obama administration official saying a recent visit

Meanwhile ...

The U.K.-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said 18 people were killed in Syria on Tuesday, most of them fatally shot by troops or pro-government gunmen. The Local Coordination Committees, another activist group, said 32 people were killed, 19 of them in the restive central province of Homs. It was impossible to resolve the discrepancy, as Syria has banned most foreign correspondents and restricted local coverage. (AP)

by the commander of Iran's Quds Force to Damascus is the strongest sign yet that Washington's arch-foe Tehran is supplying weapons to aid Assad's crackdown.

Qatar's leader, Sheik Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani, was the first Arab head of state to call for military intervention in Syria. On Sunday, he was quoted as saying Arab troops should be deployed there.

The U.N. says more than 5,400 people have been killed since the uprising began 10 months ago in a string of revolts in the Arab world against authoritarian regimes. (AP)

Hearsay

"Mubarak is neither a tyrant nor a bloodthirsty man. He respects the judiciary and its decisions, a clean man who could say no wrong."

— FARID EL-DEEB, HOSNI MUBARAK'S CHIEF DEFENSE LAWYER, SPEAKING ON TUESDAY IN CAIRO DURING THE TRIAL OF THE OUSTED EGYPTIAN PRESIDENT.

120K The amount, in barrels, of oil that South Sudan says is stolen daily by Sudan out of a northern pipeline — 75 percent of the oil, officials said Tuesday. The two nations are gridlocked over oil transit fees: South Sudan has offered to pay 70 cents per barrel to use Sudan's pipes, but Sudan seeks \$36 per barrel. (AP)

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In Brief



Top: The old street sign style. Bottom: One of the mixed-case signs to come.

WASHINGTON

Street Sign Changes Under Way Across City

The city has changed its street-sign design for the first time in decades, and it's slowly showing itself across the city. Signs previously rendered in all capital letters will now be rendered in mixed case, following a new federal design standard. The change was mandated in the latest, 2009 edition of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, the bible of traffic engineers. Mixed-case legends, studies have confirmed, makes signs legible from a greater distance, giving drivers more time to make decisions on the road. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

WASHINGTON

Council Limits 'Pot Shops'

The D.C. Council approved emergency legislation Tuesday to restrict the number of medical marijuana cultivation centers that can be opened in any one ward, a proposal aimed at alleviating concerns in Northeast that it could have more "pot shops" than other neighborhoods. The bill states no more than six cultivation centers can be located in any one ward. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

RICHMOND, VA.

Appeals Court Refuses To Add Perry to Ballot

A federal appeals court rejected Rick Perry's last-ditch bid to be placed on Virginia's Republican presidential primary ballot Tuesday, agreeing with a lower court that the Texas governor and three other candidates waited too late to challenge the state's ballot qualifying law. Perry sued last month after failing to submit enough signatures to get on the March 6 ballot. (AP)

Occupy Congress Underwhelms

Protester gathering falls short of goals for Capitol demonstration

Washington

Several hundred protesters affiliated with the Occupy Wall Street movement converged on the West Lawn of the Capitol Tuesday to decry the influence of corporate money in politics and voice myriad other grievances.

Organizers had touted the rally, known as Occupy Congress, as the largest national gathering of Occupy protesters to date and secured a permit that would have allowed up to 10,000 people to participate. By mid-afternoon, the protest appeared to have fallen far short of those goals.

Still, participants said they were optimistic about the strength of the Occupy movement, which began



Hundreds of protesters convened at the West Front Lawn of the Capitol Tuesday.

in September when protesters pitched tents in a lower Manhattan park. The movement has since spread to dozens of cities, including Washington.

"I'm encouraged," said Jon

Wynn, 63, of Snow Camp, N.C., who traveled to Washington to attend the protest and visit friends. "There's energy here, even if there's not a whole lot of people."

While the rally was mostly

Meanwhile ...

A House subcommittee will hold a hearing next week on the Occupy D.C. camp in McPherson Square and the decision to allow protesters to remain there. Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif., who chairs the Oversight and Government Reform Committee, has asked the National Park Service to explain why protesters have been allowed to flout a ban on camping on Park Service property. NPS officials have said the protesters' First Amendment rights are paramount. (AP)

peaceful, there were some scuffles between police and protesters along walkways leading to the Capitol. By mid-afternoon Tuesday, four people had been arrested, U.S. Capitol Police said — one for assaulting a police officer and three for crossing a police line. BEN NUCKOLS (AP)

Special Election Date Certified

Washington

A special election will be held May 15 to fill the seat vacated by former D.C. Council member Harry Thomas Jr.

The district's elections board met Tuesday and certified that Thomas' Ward 5 council seat is vacant. As expected, the board set May 15 as the election date.

Thomas, a Democrat, resigned this month after pleading guilty to embezzling more than \$350,000 in government funds and filing false tax returns. He faces more than three years in prison.



Harry Thomas Jr.'s Ward 5 council seat will be up for grabs in D.C. on May 15.

The winner would serve out the remainder of his term, which runs through 2014. (AP)

More Charges

Another person involved in a corruption case that led to the resignation of D.C. Council member Harry Thomas Jr. has agreed to plead guilty in the case, an outcome that had been expected. James Garvin was charged Tuesday by criminal information, which signals a person's intent to plead guilty. Garvin's attorney, Vandy Jamison, had indicated the plea deal was coming. The charge carries a possible sentence of up to three years in prison. (AP)



MISTAKES

Rush Blows Hot Air

D.C. Council member Mary Cheh has joined some select company. Cheh, D-Ward 3, was dismissively referred to on air Tuesday by Rush Limbaugh as a "babe." "This Mary Cheh babe, C-H-E-H, she is the woman behind the D.C. plastic bag tax," the radio host incorrectly said. The bag tax bill was written and introduced by Tommy Wells, D-Ward 6. (TWP)

The Lotteries

Tuesday, Jan. 17

Maryland

Mid-day Pick 3	4-4-0
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.)	1-6-4
Mid-day Pick 4	6-2-2-7
Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	2-0-8-9
Match 5 (Mon.)	16-22-28-30-38 (4)

District

Mid-day Lucky Numbers	0-5-1
Evening Lucky Numbers (Mon.)	7-2-3
Mid-day DC 4	1-0-6-3
Evening DC 4 (Mon.)	6-5-7-0
Mid-day D.C. Five	3-7-3-9-8
Evening D.C. Five (Mon.)	1-3-5-1-8

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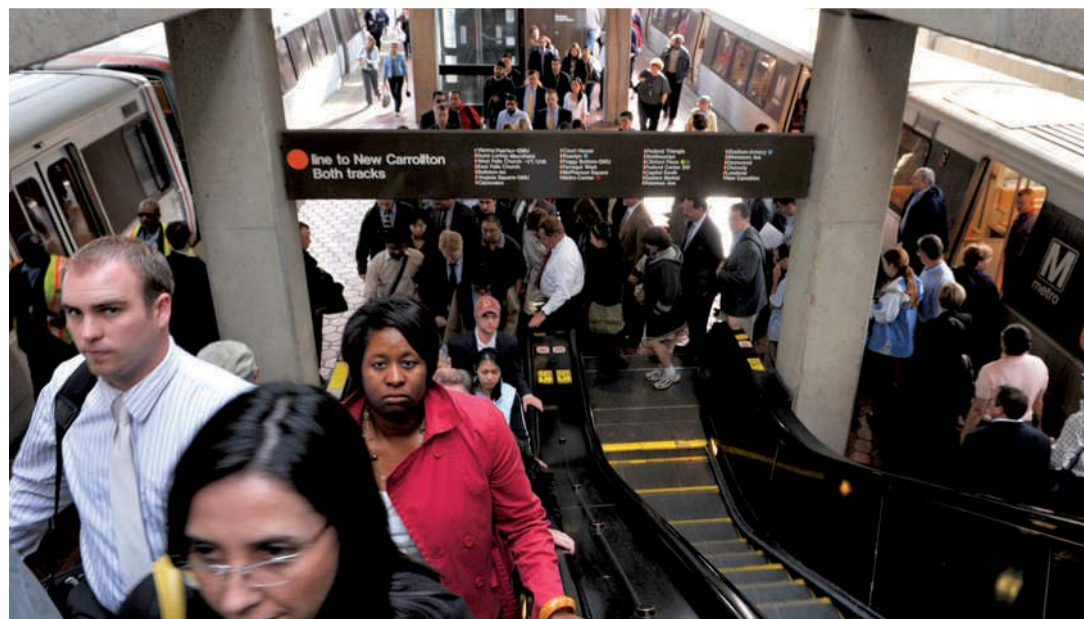
Mid-day Pick 3	8-8-4	Evening Pick 4 (Mon.)	9-0-2-3
Evening Pick 3 (Mon.)	3-7-6	Mid-day Cash 5 (Tues.)	1-9-25-28-29
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How Will Fare Hikes Hit You?

New budget proposal could affect Metro riders in many ways

Washington

Metro board member James Dyke's first chance to comment on the transit staff's proposed fare increases was also his first chance to offer formal greetings to fellow board members.

"Nice soft start" to a job, their newest colleague told them as they began to pick apart the proposals.

Though Dyke is the board's most recent addition, the majority of his colleagues have just a slight advantage on him in seniority, given the dramatic turnover in membership last year. In fact, only a handful of the current board members were serving in 2010, the last time the

panel approved fare increases.

The riders are going to have to help them through this.

Sarles' budget

This year, General Manager Richard Sarles proposed no service cuts. But he did propose changes in fares that could please riders who travel at certain peak times or use bike lockers, but the changes would generally mean people would pay more to park, ride buses or travel by train. He said rush-hour SmarTrip rail fares would increase by an average of less than 5 percent.

Rounding fares

Sarles proposed a 10-cent increase in the Metrobus fare for SmarTrip users, so their rides would cost \$1.60. But for the 15 percent of riders who pay cash, their fare would be rounded up to the nearest dollar, which means they'd pay \$2.

Peaked Out

The best idea in the budget is the proposed elimination of the peak-of-the-peak fare, the 20-cent surcharge for Metrorail travel at the height of rush hour. General Manager Richard Sarles said the peak of the peak was designed to raise revenue and to manage congestion. In theory, it created a financial incentive for riders to avoid the most crowded times. Commuters have been saying that they're pretty much locked into their travel times. If they could respond to an incentive, the idea of escaping crowded trains would have provided it long ago. (TWP)

The upside is that a rider wouldn't have to fish for change and then pour the coins into the fare box. That also would have the effect of speeding the bus boarding process. But D.C. Council member Muriel Bowser, D-Ward 4, who represents the District on the Metro board, pointed out that for these riders, "rounding" means a huge fare increase. ROBERT THOMSON (THE WASHINGTON POST)

\$466M The amount Amtrak will spend this year for 70 new locomotives to enhance the speed and reliability of rail service in the Northeast corridor. The company will also invest another \$298 million in 130 new rail cars to serve the East Coast and Midwest. The new equipment will be a major upgrade for a system that now operates with locomotives that are 20 to 30 years old and some sleeper cars that are 60 years old. (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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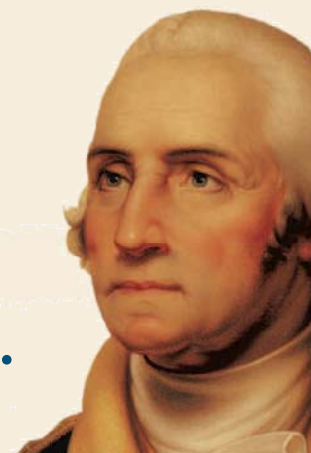
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Getting Ahead

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Cover Story



Wikipedia, Reddit and Boing Boing are planning to black out their services Wednesday to protest the Stop Online Piracy Act and the Protect IP Act by showing users the bill's effect on Web companies. These companies object to language in the bills, which are aimed at stopping online piracy on foreign websites, that would grant the U.S. government the right to block entire websites with copyright-infringing content on them from the Internet.

Wikipedia will block its English-language pages — the first time since the site's 2001 launch that it has restricted access to those pages as a form of protest. Instead of encyclopedia articles, visitors will see information about the two congressional bills and details about how to reach lawmakers.

"[It's] a decision that wasn't lightly made," the company said on its blog Monday. The decision was made with the input of 1,800 users, according to a Wikimedia Foundation statement.

The site strives to "avoid advocacy, and we characterize information and issues rather than debate them," but Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales

What's the Deal?

The House of Representatives' Stop Online Piracy Act and the Senate's Protect Intellectual Property Act are designed to crack down on sales of pirated U.S. products overseas. The most controversial provision is in the House bill, which would enable federal authorities to "blacklist" sites that are alleged to distribute pirated content. Supporters of the legislation include the film and music industries, which often see products sold illegally. Critics say the legislation could infringe on free-speech rights. (AP)

argues that the site can maintain neutrality in content even as it takes public positions on issues.

"The encyclopedia will always be neutral. The community need not be, not when the encyclopedia is threatened," he tweeted.

Still, it's a form of protest that isn't for everyone.

Dick Costolo, CEO of Twitter, said he opposes the legislation, too, but that shutting down the service was out of the question.

"Closing a global business in reaction to single-issue national politics is foolish," Costolo tweeted.

Instead of pulling down the micro-

Survival Tips

Wikipedia will shut down for 24 hours Wednesday at midnight Eastern Standard Time in protest of draft anti-online piracy legislation before Congress, founder Jimmy Wales said Monday. Here are tips to survive.

1 Scroll: Wikipedia is often the top result in a Google search. But scroll down to find original sources.

2 Try an encyclopedia: Breathe in that musty perfume of a set of books called "the encyclopedia." You can call it "Wikipedia Vintage," if that sounds cooler.

3 There is this thing called a library: Try that quaint little brick-and-mortar Wikipedia for information.

4 Put trivia on pause: Ordinarily, you might dazzle dining companions by reaching for Wikipedia. The blackout gives us a one-day reprieve from factual one-upmanship.

5 Phone the family: Wikipedia knows a lot. But so do your grandparents, who have lived through the events of hundreds of Wikipedia pages. (TWP)

"Student warning! Do your homework early. Wikipedia protesting bad law on Wednesday!"

— JIMMY WALES, FOUNDER OF WIKIPEDIA, TWEETING MONDAY, WARNING OF THE FREE ENCYCLOPEDIA SITE'S PLANS TO GO DARK TO PROTEST LEGISLATION.



blogging service — which many people use to run their businesses, organize activities and communicate important information — Costolo said the company will look into how it can use the platform to encourage discussion about the bills.

Since Wikimedia depends on a small army of volunteers who create and update articles, it's particularly concerned about a lack of exemptions in the bills for sites where users contribute copyrighted content. Today, it has no obligation under U.S. law except removing that content if a copyright holder complains. But under the House version of the bill, it could be shut down unless it polices its own pages.

Social news website Reddit.com said it will shut down for 12 hours on Wednesday. Google Inc. said it will display its opposition to the bill on its home page in some fashion.

The plans for the protest were moving forward even though the bill's prospects appeared to be dimming. On Saturday, Rep. Darrell Issa, D-Calif., said the bill would not move to the House floor for a vote unless consensus is reached. However, Lamar Smith, R-Texas, said work on the bill would resume next month.

Discussion over the bills is heating up in part because of the White House's decision to weigh in on the topic over the weekend. In a statement online, the White House said the proposals to block domain names had serious implications for cybersecurity and that the bill has other issues that need to be worked out after a conversation with all stakeholders.

Still, the White House was clear in its statement that it supports swift action on legislation to combat online piracy. (AP/THE WASHINGTON POST)

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Leonsis Must Act To Fix the Wizards

Upon buying the Wizards, Ted Leonsis said he wanted to build through the draft. There's no better way to do that than by assembling one of the league's worst rosters.

In that regard, team president and GM Ernie Grunfeld has aced his



By Matt Swenson

job. On the other hand, should we be patting an NBA executive on the back for assembling a team that could easily set the record for the worst shooting percentage in league

history?

Come June, if Washington wins the draft lottery for the second time in three years, the Wizards might be in good shape to contend for the playoffs in 2013.

A major overhaul is needed, and that means the architect of this group ... has to go.

Getting to the draft is the hard part. Right now, the Wizards are an embarrassment. Not only did they fall to 1-12 with Monday's loss to the Rockets, but JaVale McGee showed just how individualistic the locker room is when he went for a highlight-reel dunk during a 114-106 defeat.

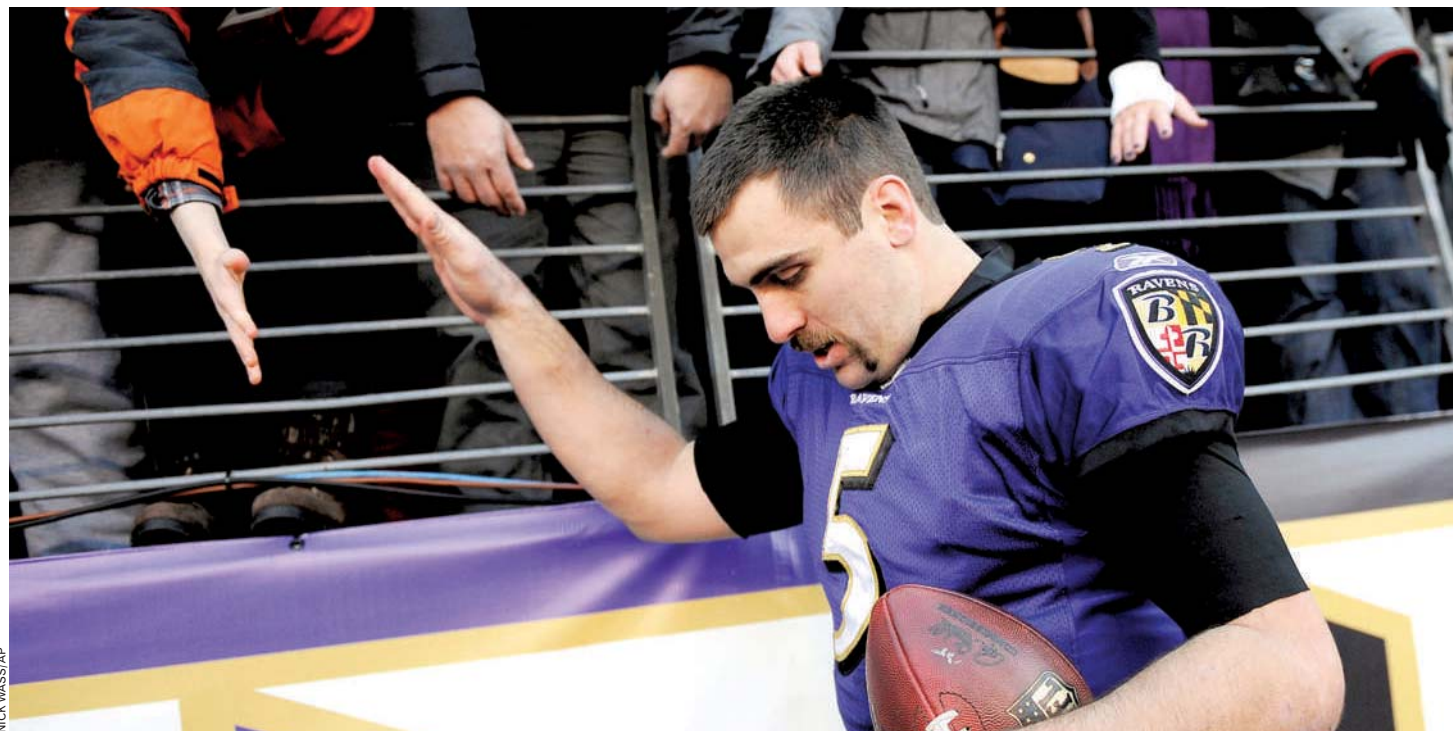
Leonsis has a serious problem on his hands with the culture surrounding what is now the worst franchise in the NBA.

A major overhaul is needed, and that means the architect of this group — Grunfeld — has to go, even if he has ensured the Wizards will get a high draft pick in June.

Leonsis may be known as a nice guy, but being a better owner is more important. It's time his team stopped being the butt of all the jokes.



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Joe Flacco high-fives fans in Baltimore, where the Ravens went 9-0 this season—including Sunday's win over Houston. The Ravens will visit the Patriots in the AFC title game.

Tough Road Ahead

Perfect at home, Ravens must win in New England to claim AFC title

Pro Football

No team in the NFL had a better home record than the Baltimore Ravens, who are headed to the AFC championship game on the strength of their 9-0 mark at M&T Bank Stadium.

Unfortunately, their path to the Super Bowl calls for a road trip to New England.

Baltimore (13-4) would have had home-field advantage throughout the playoffs if not for its mediocre 4-4 record on the road. The Ravens' last loss, a 34-14 rout in San Diego on Dec. 18, cost them the top seed in the AFC.

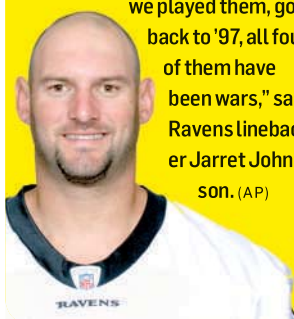
Playing as the No. 2 seed, Baltimore returned from a bye to beat the Houston Texans 20-13 at home on Sunday. That completed the Ravens'

Backstory

Bad Track Record

Beating the Patriots on the road will be no easy task, and the oddsmakers agree: The Patriots have been made 7 1/2-point favorites to defeat the Ravens. Baltimore defeated New England in the playoffs on the road after the 2009 season, but its overall record against the Patriots is 1-6—including a 27-24 defeat in 2007 in Baltimore, a 27-21 loss in New England in 2009 and a 23-20 setback in overtime last season. "The last four times

we played them, going back to '97, all four of them have been wars," said Ravens linebacker Jarret Johnson. (AP)



first perfect season at home. The only other team to finish unbeaten at home was New Orleans (8-0).

"It was awesome. We love being at home," linebacker Jarret Johnson said Monday, well aware that Baltimore's next home game will be in the preseason in August.

If the Ravens are to get to Indianapolis, the site of the Super Bowl, they must beat the Patriots (14-3) in Foxborough on Sunday.

Baltimore has proved it can win playoff games on the road.

In addition to that 33-14 win in New England in 2009, the Ravens won in Miami and Tennessee after the 2008 season, and defeated Kansas City at Arrowhead Stadium last season.

Coach John Harbaugh hopes his team will benefit from the experience. "I think it helps just by the fact that we've done it," he said. "Most of our team has been there before."

Harbaugh shot down two questions Monday pertaining to the team's difficulty on the road this

season. Baltimore lost to Seattle, Tennessee, Jacksonville and San Diego — four teams that didn't make the playoffs and finished with a combined 29-35 record.

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The number of yards—109 after halftime—Baltimore had in its 20-13 win over Houston Sunday.

The Ravens did, however, win at Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, as Harbaugh was quick to point out when asked whether his team was better prepared to win a big game on the road at this juncture of the season.

Harbaugh said the key to winning on the road is to avoid turnovers, and that's one big reason the Texans failed to ruin Baltimore's unblemished record at home. Houston gave the ball away four times, and the Ravens cashed in two of those turnovers in taking a 17-3 lead. DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

Sports



ERRORS

The Paper Trail

The British tabloid the Sun reported Tuesday that it had been handed documents about security arrangements for the London Olympics that were left on a train by a police officer on Jan. 5 — the latest in a series of embarrassing mishaps involving British authorities' misplacing government documents. (AP)

Hearsay

"I hate bugs more than you can imagine. ... They just kept jumping on me. Yuck!"



— SERENA WILLIAMS, WHO SAID THE INSECTS BUZZING AROUND DURING HER WIN TUESDAY AT THE AUSTRALIAN OPEN BUGGED HER.

Surprise! CAA Is Down

Fairy tale is unlikely for the league known for its major upsets

Men's College Hoops

Two months from now, when the 68-team NCAA men's basketball tournament field is revealed, the leading conferences will again turn a wary eye toward the Colonial Athletic Association.

They'll remember Virginia Commonwealth dismissing five big programs to land in the Final Four. They'll recall Old Dominion taking two-time finalist Butler to the buzzer and George Mason — still famous for its 2006 Final Four run — storming back to beat Villanova.

Accordingly, any team with an appreciation of college basketball's annual surprises will hope to dodge a CAA matchup. This year, however, the rest of the field will brace



Mason's Resume

With a deep roster and strong front court, George Mason, winner of six of its past seven heading into Wednesday's game against Delaware, is probably the most capable of securing the CAA's automatic berth. But coach Paul Hewitt's squad hasn't accomplished enough to warrant at-large consideration. Its only semi-notable nonconference wins are against No. 86 Bucknell and No. 89 College of Charleston. (TWP)

for probably just one CAA rascal. A season after receiving three bids — the most in its 29-year history — the CAA stumbled through the nonleague schedule and fell precipitously in conference stature.

In the latest Ratings Percentage Index, a formula factoring records and strength of schedule for 344 Division I teams, VCU and Drexel are the lone CAA programs to crack the top 100 (No. 83 and 96, respectively). George Mason, which is tied for first in the conference

standings, is 112th.

At the end of the last regular season, the CAA boasted two teams in the RPI top 25 and six in the top 90, and was rated 10th among 32 conferences. This week, it's rated 18th.

"Our league stands where it always stands: We're a very good mid-major league," VCU coach Shaka Smart said. "I don't think that has changed. ... The reality is, we're a younger league than we were last year."

STEVEN GOFF (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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PRO BASKETBALL (8 P.M., 10:30 P.M., ESPN) The Atlanta Hawks host the Portland Trail Blazers, and the Los Angeles Clippers play the Dallas Mavericks.

MEN'S COLLEGE HOOPS (7 P.M., 9 P.M., MASN) UConn takes on Cincinnati, and Texas visits Kansas State.

TENNIS (11 P.M., 3 A.M. (THU.), ESPN2) More Australian Open action.



Retiring Kind: Mike Martz says he is retiring from coaching. The NFL Network first reported his decision this week, and Martz told the Chicago Sun-Times, "It's time." The architect of "The Greatest Show on Turf" as offensive coordinator and head coach of the Rams, Martz spent the past two seasons as the Chicago Bears' offensive coordinator. He had an expiring contract and left after what were described as philosophical differences. (AP)

Colts End Caldwell's Run as Coach

Pro Football

The Indianapolis Colts' sudden crash has cost coach Jim Caldwell his job.

The team fired Caldwell on Tuesday, the second major decision in what is expected to be a long offseason shake-up. Team owner Jim Irsay fired team vice chairman Bill Polian and his son, Chris, the team's general manager, the day after the season ended.

It took a little longer for the decision on Caldwell, who had just finished his third and worst season as head coach of the Colts, who stumbled to a 2-14 finish without injured quarterback

The Manning Effect

With Peyton Manning, the Colts won a league-record 115 regular-season games over the previous decade, tying the league mark for most consecutive playoff appearances (nine), winning two AFC titles and one Super Bowl trophy. Without Manning, the Colts lost their first 13 games in 2011, then won twice in five days and nearly lost the No. 1 draft pick, too, before losing the season finale to Jacksonville. (AP)

Peyton Manning. Caldwell ends his three-year Colts tenure with a 26-22 record. (AP)

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Sticking It to Diabetes
Food Network butter queen Paula Deen reveals her diagnosis **27**

Inside Jokes

Double Their Recipe



Colbert 2012?

Stephen Colbert might run for president. But is this just another publicity stunt, or is Colbert really going to be on the ballot?

It doesn't matter. Colbert is exposing the mechanics (and money) behind elections — something he's likely been plotting since he launched

his Colbert super PAC in June. When he told the "Colbert Report" audience last Thursday that he's forming an exploratory committee for the presidency, his lawyer, Trevor Potter, explained that Colbert could no longer run, nor coordinate with, his super PAC. He could, however, transfer ownership to anyone he chooses. He chose Jon Stewart.

Stewart pointed out that, because the two are business partners, there must be some rule against his taking over. Potter assured them they were in the clear. Audience members groaned at the notion.

The purpose of Colbert's bid is to expose the hypocrisy and legal gray areas behind an election. Given his position and the lengths he's willing to go to make a point, Colbert could soon emerge as something weightier than a joke candidate: an agent for change in campaign finance reform.

For more of Rudi's thoughts, follow him on Twitter: @rudi_greenberg.

Once competitors, the Voltaggio brothers now share the spoils of celebrity chefdom

Food

Bryan Voltaggio stands in his restaurant, Volt, arms folded. He doesn't break a smile, a frown or a sweat.

It's the same modest, soft-spoken persona that became his trademark on Season 6 of Bravo's "Top Chef," which portrayed him in stark contrast to the mouthy arrogance of another contestant — his younger brother, Michael.

Their differences made for great television: Bryan's clean-cut looks versus Michael's wrist-to-shoulder tattoos; Bryan's methodical presentation of sardine fillet on potato and juniper-sauced venison alongside Michael's gutsy cream of dehydrated broccoli and fennel-scented squab with textures of mushroom. If Bryan was smoldering, Michael was a house on fire.

But heat — whether in embers or flame — is what unites them. Dig beneath their apparent differences, and what emerges is much more impressive: their similarities.

"They're more similar," says celebrated chef and restaurateur Charlie Palmer, who is a mentor to both Voltaggios. "They were always stand-out guys in terms of determination. They always had great imaginations. They were always pushing the boundaries. They never settled for 'It's OK.'"



Bryan Voltaggio, left, and Michael Voltaggio, right, have put aside their sibling rivalry for a series of joint ventures.

"There's definitely this chef branding thing today, and we've fallen into 'the Voltaggio brothers.' It's not 'Michael' or 'Bryan'; it's 'the Voltaggios.'"

— MICHAEL VOLTAGGIO, ON WORKING ALONGSIDE HIS BROTHER, BRYAN VOLTAGGIO.

In the two years since "Top Chef" — which Michael, 33, ultimately won — it is this shared passion (and more than a smidgen of business savvy) that has transformed decades of sibling rivalry into a fruitful cooperation. As a culinary Cain and Abel turned Osmond brothers, they wield potato ricers and flavor injectors for the Williams-Sonoma catalog.

They've plunged into their first international venture, a restaurant in Mumbai, India, set to open in mid-January, for which they are essentially long-distance executive chefs. And together the Frederick, Md., natives have written a cookbook, "Volt ink," which contrasts their talents in recipes for ingredient families such as "mollusk" and "nightshade." Like

Brotherly Support

The rivalry viewers saw on "Top Chef" was in some ways the tip of the iceberg. The brothers still argue the way they did 30 years ago. "We fight like children," Michael Voltaggio says. But only the coldest heart could have witnessed the genuine pain they each felt when Michael won and missed their devotion to each other. Both say the "Top Chef" experience brought them closer. M.K.

their other ventures, the cookbook calls to mind the only tattoo they share: a lightning bolt with the letters "TCB," for "taking care of business."

"There's definitely this chef branding thing today, and we've fallen into 'the Voltaggio brothers,'" Michael says. "It's not 'Michael' or 'Bryan'; it's 'the Voltaggios.'"

It's something that couldn't make their mother happier.

"They both ultimately accomplished the same thing," says Mantine Voltaggio of her sons' "Top Chef" experience. "They just got to it in a different way."

MICHELE KAYAL (AP)



Wine Time: ABC's "Cougar Town," the sitcom that's never really been about cougars (the animal or the older woman), will return from hiatus Feb. 14. The series, which stars Courteney Cox, left, as the leader of a suburban group of friends who like to drink wine and solve each other's problems, takes over the 8:30 p.m. Tuesday time slot vacated by "Work It," which ABC canceled after two episodes. "Cougar Town's" third season runs for 15 episodes. (EXPRESS)

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1 **Feminine Mystique**

Marilyn Monroe's role in "The Seven Year Itch," screening tonight at the National Portrait Gallery, is a sad commentary on her role in the public imagination. A man left on his own for the summer fantasizes constantly about his pretty neighbor, played by Monroe. Less a character than a dream figure, the nameless Girl mostly serves to enact the man's weird ideas about women — like that they stand over subway grates a lot. **National Portrait Gallery, 8th and F streets NW; 6:30 p.m., free; 202-633-8300, Npg.si.edu. (Gallery Place)**

2 **Achieve Liftoff**

Listening to Liftoff is like escaping to the mystical lands and strawberry fields of your mind. The beat-driven, psychedelic project — from Steven Albert; Steve and Johnna Raskin; and Rob Myers — sounds otherworldly, as if it came from the dark side of the moon. Mind expansion will be in order at the "Sunday Morning Airplay" album release party Thursday. **Black Cat, 1811 14th St. NW; Thu., 8 p.m., \$8; 202-667-7960, Blackcatdc.com. (U Street)**

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The Mixing Bowl

DJ Steve Aoki gives every genre a chance on his latest dance disc, 'Wonderland'

Album Review

Steve Aoki was a well-born celebrity DJ before most people knew that well-born celebrity DJs existed. Aoki is famous for his connections (his father founded the Benihana restaurant chain, and his list of musical collaborators makes the Ronsons look like amateurs) and for his equal-opportunity marriage of electronica to just about every identifiable genre, whether it's a good idea or not: electronica and hip-hop; electronica and hard-core; electronica and stoner pop.

His new release, "Wonderland," compiles several years' worth of club hits and star-centric collaborations into a sleek package that is only as good as its guest stars. The sure-footed "Come With Me (Dead Meat)" is a burbling cauldron of house music, robot noises and New Age diva vocals courtesy of Russian singer Polina Goudieva; the obligatory dubstep track "Ladi Dadi," a collaboration with singer Wynter Gordon, is nevertheless pretty great, as is the Rivers Cuomo-guesting, Weezer-at-the-club track "Earthquakey People (The Sequel)."

There are less-successful pairings with cartoon rapper Lil Jon and Chiddy Bang (on "Emer-



STEVE AOKI

DJ Steve Aoki is a child of the man who founded the Benihana restaurant chain.



Wonderland
Steve Aoki

gency," which feels like a gentler take on the recent Lil Jon/Aoki hit "Turbulence") and LMFAO on the brand-extension exercise "Livin' My Love." On "The Kids Will Have Their Say," vocals from former members of legendary punk bands Die Kreuzen and the Exploited are

bolted onto a martial dance riff. It's the logical extension of Aoki's love of heavy metal and the awkward commingling of disparate genres. As a theoretical exercise (who knew those guys were still alive?) it's a gobsmacker. As a would-be banger, it's a really bad idea. ALLISON STEWART (THE WASHINGTON POST)

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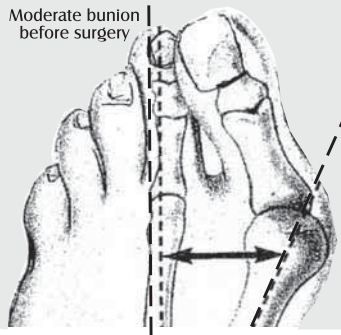
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'The Revolution' aims to turn around lives from top to bottom

Daytime

ABC
2:00

J.D. Roth, the creator of NBC's "The Biggest Loser," is betting on a novel idea for his new show, "The Revolution": showing someone's personal turnaround by condensing five months of work into five days.

The show, which premiered Monday, features a trainer, a women's health specialist, a relationship expert, fashion maven Tim Gunn and fixer-upper Ty Pennington as part of the crew.

Roth and business partner Todd Nelson specialize in life-altering reality shows such as "Extreme Makeover: Weight Loss Edition" and MTV's "I Used to be Fat." After his time with "The Biggest Loser," Roth wanted to do something that was about more than weight loss.

All of the women he features on



From left, the hosts of ABC's new daytime show, "The Revolution": Ty Pennington, Dr. Jennifer Ashton, Harley Pasternak, Dr. Tiffanie Davis Henry and Tim Gunn.

"The Revolution" have weight problems, but there are other issues that need to be addressed. Early on in the series, for example, he orders two sisters who are inseparable to spend time apart to establish their own identities.

"The Revolution" was a difficult concept to sell in part because of its unusual structure. Each person's story takes five months to unfold in real time, five days to be

seen on the air.

Roth's initial pitch came without the experts such as Gunn and Pennington. ABC pushed for their inclusion because its executives wanted to be sure viewers would learn things that could help them, instead of just looking in on others' lives. "It's not just a weight-loss show, it's not just a makeover show, it's not just a health show," ABC's Ann Roberts says. "It's all of them." DAVID BAUDER (AP)

Best Bets

NBC
9:00

Harry's Law Harry (Kathy Bates, right) represents a critically ill 21-year-old facing charges for illegally buying a kidney. Oliver and Tommy defend identical twins who are accused of killing the man to whom they were both married.



CBS
10:00

CSI: Crime Scene Investigation

Willows (Marg Helgenberger) works with the FBI to investigate a professional hit at a law firm she'd recommended to a friend. Her colleagues make some shocking discoveries at the crime scene.

USA
10:00

Royal Pains As the season resumes, HankMed is in danger of losing its first patient as Kassaban's life hangs in the balance. Meanwhile, Evan works to fit into his fiancée's complicated family life.

BRAVO
10:00



Top Chef: Texas Snow White's heart and a poisoned apple — that should do it. The chefs are challenged to come up with an evil-themed dish to be served to the "queen" (Charlize Theron, left) at a gothic feast. Before that, though, they must get through a quickfire challenge in which ingredients arrive in the kitchen by train. (TRIBUNE MEDIA)

Competition

Supreme 'Idol'

Back for its 11th season, "American Idol" (8 p.m., Fox) shows little sign of flagging. To the surprise of many, it has changed personnel without missing a beat. It has persevered and even thrived in spite of Paula Abdul's and Simon Cowell's departures. In fact, "Idol's" new judges — Steven Tyler and Jennifer Lopez — adjusted quite naturally to their roles. (UNIVERSAL UCLICK)



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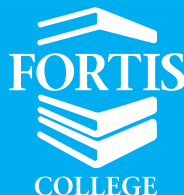
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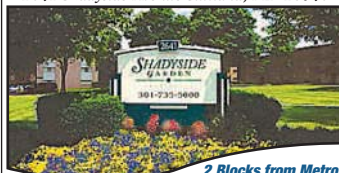
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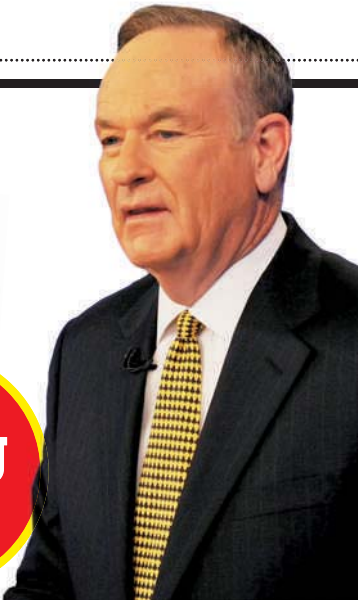
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“As a team in its inaugural season, MLS could (and should) parade it around as its new plaything. Why MLS does not do this is shocking.”

—PARKTHEBUS.WORDPRESS.COM can't understand why the Montreal Impact, Major League Soccer's 19th franchise, has no nationally televised games this year, its first season in the league.

▲
“ATTN: ‘The Ultimate NPR Workout Mix’ is not an ironic list, despite the title's strong implication.”

—@PLEDGERWOOD offers a warning to people who might think that the radio network's new effort to create the perfect exercise playlist is some kind of a joke.

▲
“Funny or Die has created this faux trailer for an imagined ‘Rugrats’ live-action movie. The result is more disturbing than you may imagine. Say goodbye to your childhood.”

—GEOFF MAY AT BITE.CA/BITEDAILY was slightly put off by the sketch, which features a murder mystery involving the Nickelodeon cartoon's characters — including Chuckie, above.

▲
“This changes everything. The good people at My Jello Americans have not only created a new way to eat Jello — they call it ‘Jellogami’ — but they've recorded an instructional video so that we can make it ourselves. Not that my clumsy hands could ever create something so perfect.”

—WHITNEY JEFFERSON AT BUZZFEED.COM is enthralled by the paper made of granulated gelatin, water and food coloring.

▲
“Yes, Bill O'Reilly just corrected someone else's knowledge of '90s gangsta rap on national television. ... When you think about all the rappers he has had on his show ... shouldn't be as surprising as it is.”

—FRANCES MARTEL AT MEDIAITE.COM reacts to O'Reilly's correction of journalist Bernard Goldberg, who misidentified Ice Cube as Ice-T.



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Horoscope

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Your assessment of a situation may not be completely accurate today; take the time for a second look — or a third, if needed.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Questions of policy are likely to arise, and only you can solve what others consider insoluble. You have a unique point of view.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Prepare yourself for news you hoped you would not hear. You can reverse any ill fortune, however, but it is likely to take time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may have a run-in today with someone who is nominally in charge. It may take a compromise on your part to ease tensions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You'll be putting the pieces of a personal puzzle in place all day long. Don't let yourself be distracted by what another calls important.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Explanations will not be necessary today — though at the right time they are certainly signs of good manners. Do what is right.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You'll find yourself gravitating toward those who share more than your outlook. An issue that's important to you is certainly worth pursuing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You're likely to make a personal discovery today that makes certain things you are about to do easier for you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Underestimate someone new to the game and you're sure to see recent winnings go right out the window. Take all challenges seriously today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You may be worried you won't be taken seriously when you engage in an endeavor usually reserved for another type of person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) You are likely to see things from a perspective of perceived superiority for a time today — until someone shows you your real self.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You've been cultivating something of a cavalier attitude of late, but today you'll find yourself caring more than you should.

Scrabble Grams

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A ₁	I ₁	O ₁	C ₃	L ₁	L ₁	G ₂

3rd Letter Double

RACK 1

A ₁	O ₁	R ₁	F ₄	F ₄	D ₂	L ₁

RACK 2

E ₁	E ₁	U ₁	D ₂	S ₁	C ₃	C ₃

Triple Word Score

RACK 3

A ₁	E ₁	E ₁	S ₁	S ₁	S ₁	M ₃

RACK 4

Yesterday's Solution

O ₁	N ₁	W ₄	A ₁	R ₁	D ₂		RACK 1 =	10
C ₃	O ₁	W ₄	H ₄	I ₁	D ₂	E ₁	RACK 2 =	98
A ₁	W ₄	E ₁	S ₁	O ₁	M ₃	E ₁	RACK 3 =	66
K ₅	N ₁	E ₁	P ₃	A ₁	D ₂		RACK 4 =	64
PAR SCORE 150-160								TOTAL
								238

FOUR RACK TOTAL

Make a 2-7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get a 50-point bonus. Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. Scrabble is a trademark of Hasbro in the U.S. and Canada.

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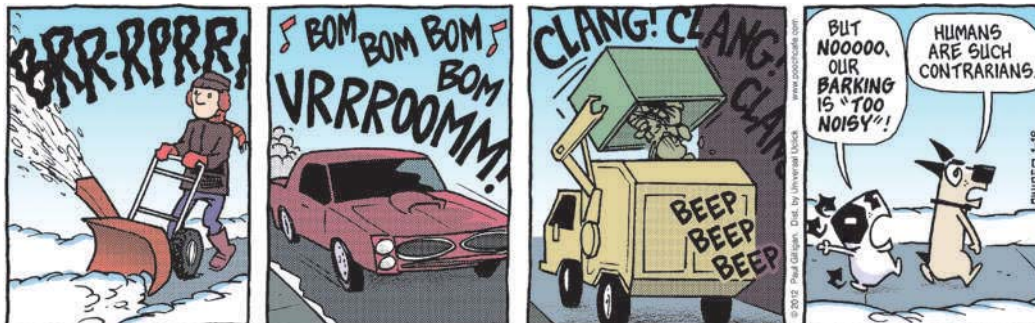
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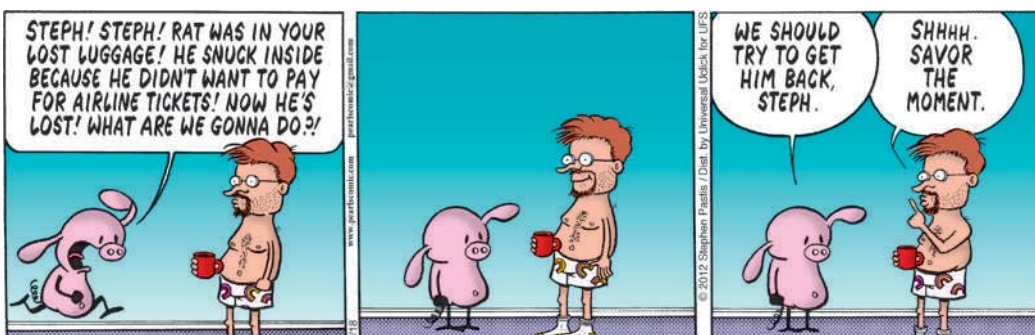
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Comics

POOCH CAFE | PAUL GILLIGAN



PEARLS BEFORE SWINE | STEPHAN PASTIS



Forecast

42 **27**

Today: Mostly sunny, breezy and cooler today. Mainly clear tonight.

43 **28**

Tomorrow: Some sun, then clouds tomorrow. Partly cloudy tomorrow night.

Looking Ahead

FRI	SAT	SUN
35	28	43
43	32	43
34		

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today: 7:24 a.m.
Sunset today: 5:13 p.m.
Moonrise today: 2:51 a.m.
Moonset today: 12:50 p.m.

Almanac

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Record low: -5

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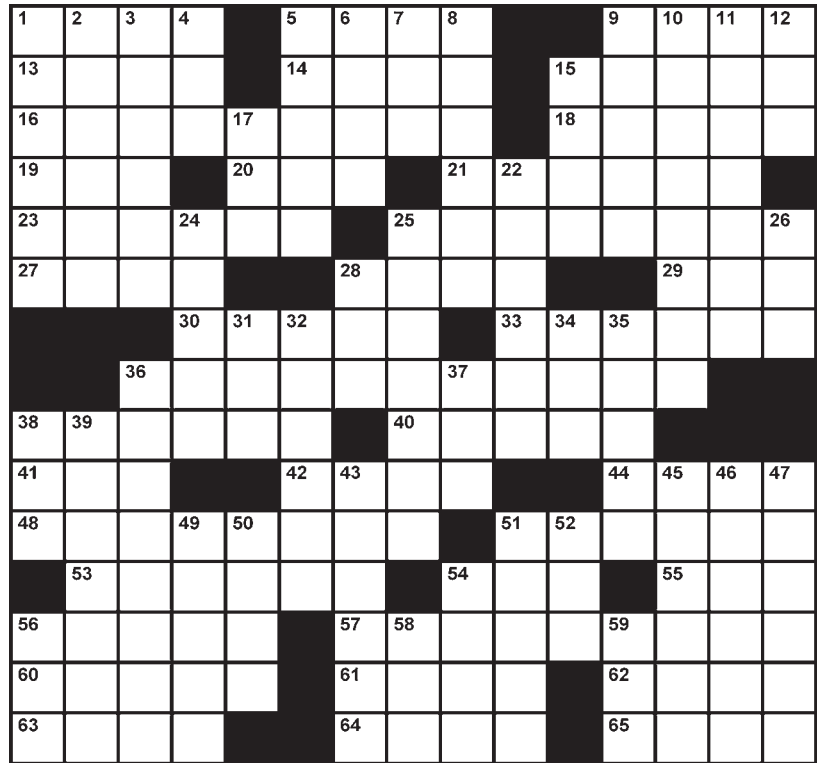
DIRTY WORK

ACROSS

- 1 ___ mater
- 5 Big name in dog food
- 9 Ruler marking
- 13 Catamaran feature
- 14 Greenish-blue color
- 15 Walked off with
- 16 Controversial excavation site
- 18 SAG member
- 19 Junior's junior
- 20 Stimp's cartoon buddy
- 21 Dorothy's woodsman wore one
- 23 Creatures forming the hair of Medusa
- 25 Baker's sweet concoction
- 27 "Bartlett's Familiar Quotations," e.g.
- 28 Elite or pica, e.g.
- 29 Before, once
- 30 Biblical tower-building site
- 33 Curbed (with "in")
- 36 Where Washington's forces wintered
- 38 Fit for consumption
- 40 Natural rope fiber
- 41 One of four, on most tables
- 42 Word said in churches
- 44 Bounce, as from a bar
- 48 Boudoir wear
- 51 Handsome Greek of myth
- 53 Nobel-winning "Mother"
- 54 Second-to-last letter of the Greek alphabet
- 55 180 degrees from WSW
- 56 Canine with active canines
- 57 Amole, for one
- 60 Unfinished software releases
- 61 Micro- relative
- 62 "... with 1,001 ___"
- 63 Play ___ (perform a song grouping)
- 64 Obi-Wan portrayer
- Guinness
- 65 "... slithy toves did ___ and gimble" ("Jabberwocky")

DOWN

- 1 Lend a helping hand



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- 2 Mexican American, e.g.
- 3 She left Moses in the bulrushes
- 4 Ring king born Cassius Clay
- 5 Tip-tops
- 6 "___ Eyes" (song by The Eagles)
- 7 Place for bacon
- 8 2,000 pounds
- 9 In need of calamine lotion
- 10 Attention-directing phrase
- 11 Debate ender
- 12 That lady yonder
- 15 Having all one's marbles
- 17 ___-K (toddler's school)
- 22 Musical beginnings
- 24 Meal on a skewer
- 25 Jurisdiction in Rome

- 26 Nancy Drew's boyfriend
- 28 Attorney's charge
- 31 Every last one
- 32 Causestearing
- 34 Historic period
- 35 "Nanook of the North" abode
- 36 Brief scene
- 37 "Jaws" omen
- 38 Right-angled building annex
- 39 Olympic team?
- 43 Poisonous atmosphere
- 45 A littlenervous
- 46 Commandment-breaker
- 47 Feared African fly
- 49 Extraordinary
- 50 Plural suffix with "mountain"
- 51 Jellied garnish

- 52 Short swim
- 54 Windowsection
- 56 Business degree
- 58 Fluid for a car
- 59 Carry with difficulty

Yesterday's Solution



Today in History

1911 The first landing of an aircraft on a ship takes place as Eugene B. Ely brings his Curtiss biplane in for a safe landing on the deck of the armored cruiser USS Pennsylvania in San Francisco Harbor.

1943 A wartime ban on the sale of pre-sliced bread in the U.S. goes into effect.

2002 Talk magazine announces it is shutting down.

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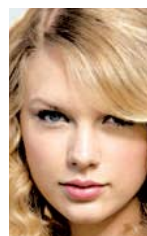


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Paula Deen told Parade.com that she hasn't had a glass of sweet tea since finding out she has Type 2 diabetes three years ago.

INGREDIENTS**Butter Forever**

"I will never use a substitute for butter. Margarine is one molecule away from eating plastic," Paula Deen told Parade.com after confirming that she has Type 2 diabetes on the "Today" show Tuesday morning. She did, however, give up sweet tea. "I was diagnosed three years ago," Deen said on "Today." "I'm here to let the world know that it is not a death sentence." (EXPRESS)

RELATIONSHIPS**A Healthier Alternative To Facebook Stalking**

Taylor Swift tells Vogue her next album will be about an "absolute crash-and-burn heartbreak" she experienced. The 22-year-old singer

doesn't name names, but she did date Jake Gyllenhaal for a few months in 2010, and he broke up with her. Swift says it helps her to "feel better" and gain "clarity" by writing songs about her relationships. (AP)

Slow News Day**Other Foot Will Say '... Is Me!'**

LeAnn Rimes obtained a new tattoo, she tweeted Sunday. Her right foot now says "the only one that matters," which she says is her husband, Eddie Cibrian. "It's dainty," she wrote of her ink. "All of my tattoos are very feminine." (EXPRESS)

**INHERITED TRAITS****But She Has His Fame-Lust!**

Gregg Hughes of Sirius XM's "The Opie & Anthony Show" said Tuesday he'll give Khloe Kardashian \$250,000 to take a DNA test to determine the identity of her father. Star magazine said the late Robert Kardashian told two of his wives that Kris Jenner cheated on him and that Khloe Kardashian is not his biological child. (EXPRESS)



"Then I was, like, 'Oh, but none of these people understand what's cool about me. My specialness is not appreciated in this place.'"

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